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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to action on the merits, using clean copies of the Claims and also marked-up versions of such, we respectfully request consideration of the following amendments and remarks:

Version with Markings to Show Changes Made to the Claims

3. (Amended) The FRP structural material according to claim 1 [or 2], wherein said FRP structural material has a portion where an FRP skin layer is interposed between stacked core materials.
4. (Amended) The FRP structural material according to [any of claims] claim 1 [to 3], wherein a stacked body of said core materials has a curved surface on at least a part of the body.